

THE EVENING NEWS.

THIRD YEAR—NO. 689.

BENTON HARBOR, MICH., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1897.

ONE CENT.

Ladies

In the Evening News contest prepared a good Xmas dinner for \$2. A visit to C.J. Brown's grocery tomorrow, the day before Christmas, will show the ladies how they can get up a good Christmas dinner for a half of \$2.

C. J. Brown,

The Grocer,

114 East Main St.

Everything for Xmas.

Make No Mistake

IF IN NEED
OF
UNDERTAKING
Call on me. My stock of Caskets is complete and prices reasonable.

Office and Residence, 134 Pipestone St., Upstairs.
A. J. YOUNGS

Does He Smoke?

We mean your
Husband, Sweet-
heart, Brother or
Uncle.

If he does, call
and examine that
elegant line of

HOLIDAY PIPES

now on sale at

Dr. Fabry's Drug Store

110 Water Street...

The display in Teetzel & Haydon's windows is changed every day.

Smoke the "Columbia" 5 cent cigar

Holiday Excursions Via Vandalia Line.
For the holidays the Vandalia line will sell excursion tickets at reduced rates from all stations, to local points on its own line, and also to points on connecting lines. For full particulars call on nearest Vandalia line ticket agent or address
E. A. FORD,
General passenger agent, St. Louis, Mo.

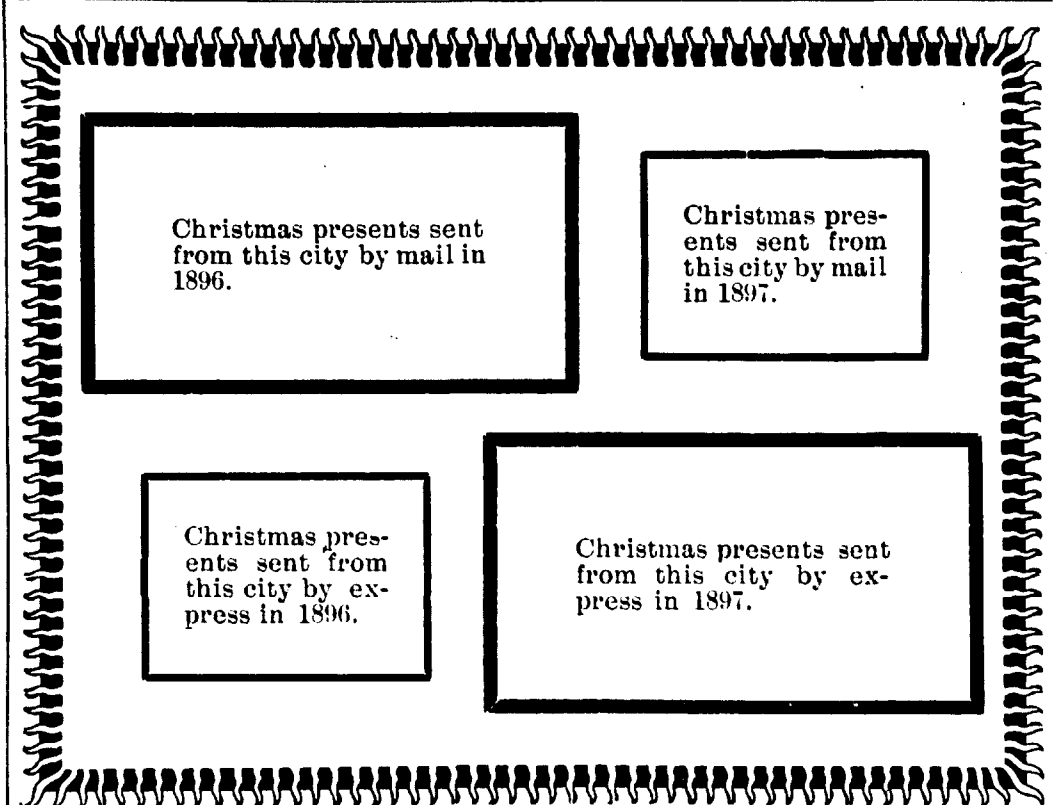
Wallace Bros. candy maker makes
candy every day.

IS PROSPERITY HERE?

People Sent Their Christmas Presents by Mail
Last Year.

This Year the Packages Are Larger and More
Expensive.

In Consequence the Express Companies Are Do-
ing an Enormous Business.



Prosperity has evidently come to the people of Benton Harbor.

The American express company and the Adams company at this place are doing double the amount of business they did last year in handling Christmas presents, while the Christmas present traffic at the postoffice has fallen off 50 per cent from the volume of last year.

This is a hopeful sign. It means that last year only the cheaper and smaller kinds of presents were sent out from Benton Harbor and the mails were used because it was the cheapest kind of transportation. This year the presents being more expensive the express companies are given the business because that method of transportation is safest.

Merchants generally have enjoyed an excellent holiday trade, better than last year. Their greatest trouble has been in having their duplicate orders filled from the wholesale houses and in many cases have been annoyed to learn that the stock of the wholesaler has been exhausted.

A COMPLAINT.

Stevensville Lady Finds Fault With the
Dinner Contest Award.

A contestant in THE EVENING NEWS Christmas dinner competition writes from Stevensville:

"Mrs. W. C. Hovey cannot get up her Christmas dinner for \$2.

"She has no pepper and salt only what goes in the pudding.

"She has only dry bread for stuffing.

"She cannot get one pound of sugar for 5 cents. If she bought a dollar's worth it would only be 19 pounds. And last of all the quantity was not enough for six persons, after making pudding and cranberry jelly. Also two loaves of bread will not stuff a turkey of six pounds and answer for the table. Mrs. Bell's butter would go just as far in getting up a dinner as Mrs. Hovey's sugar.

"She did not itemize all the ingredients, but only bulked them off. She might just as well have said, 'turkey, \$2,' and would have won the prize just as fair as she did."

The Stevensville contestant forgets that it is a matter of judgment with the judges. Three other judges might have made a different award, but the public generally agree that the three ladies did their work well. They could have done better only were it possible to award the prize to each one of the 42 ladies who entered the competition.

ALGER GUARD NOTES.

In spite of the stormy night there was a good attendance at the Alger Guard drill last night, although a number of the members were excused from drill on account of being required at their places of business during the holiday season.

New members are constantly being added to the company and the quality of the new material is a credit to any organization.

The entertainment committee is busy arranging for an entertainment in the future and there is some talk among the rank and file of the company regarding the advisability of giving a social hop by invitation every month preceded by a short entertainment each time.

Leave orders for one of those extra fine five pound boxes of mixed bon bon and chocolate. Christmas prices \$1.25
EDGAR NICHOLS.

HORSES HURT.

Team Fell Into the New St. Joseph
Sewer This Morning.

This morning a team of horses belonging to Benjamin Goodfellow employed in working on the new sewer in Church street, stumbled and fell to the bottom of the ditch, a distance of 14 feet. It was only after much hard labor and time that the horses were relieved from their precarious situation. One was bleeding and her legs seemed to be injured, the other one is probably injured internally.

The team was a good one and Mr. Goodfellow naturally feels bad at his loss.

ANOTHER SUICIDE.

Chicago Woman Imitates Secretary Her-
bert's Daughter.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Influenced by reading of the manner of death of the daughter of ex-Secretary Herbert in Washington Tuesday, Mrs. Jane Forrest, 69 years old, killed herself at 11 o'clock yesterday morning by throwing herself from a second-story window in the house of her son, W. C. Ross of 3232 Wabash avenue. She jumped from a side window opening upon a narrow alleyway running between her son's house and the one on the north. The distance between the two houses was scarce five feet and the body in its descent must have bounded from one brick wall to the other. The head struck first upon the stone flagging beneath and the skull was fractured. A number of the ribs was also broken and the left leg was shattered in several places.

Try Postal Telegraph company for prompt service.

ABOUT THE COUNTY.

Fair Plain.

Fair Plain, Dec. 23.—The Fair Plain Sabbath school will have a Christmas tree Friday evening, with appropriate exercises.

Peter Gordon and wife will spend Christmas at Three Oaks with their son's family. Special attraction, a fine grandson.

Mrs. Harrison Merry entertained a party of friends at an anniversary dinner today. A royal dinner and plenty of good cheer gladdened the hearts of all her guests. It would not be wise to pass any remarks so far as the stomachs are concerned.

Miss Flora Gordon returned home Wednesday, from Grand Rapids.

Nellie Knizely is home after several weeks' sojourn in Chicago.

A Dressmaking School.

The Jewel Taylor system was patented by Mrs. L. M. Adams in 1895 and is the most perfect fitting, easily learned of any system in existence. It has been adopted in several of the leading colleges in the country. No fitting required and no money invested until perfectly learned and satisfied. Dressmakers and ladies who do their own sewing are invited to call next week at 161 Pipestone street. Our time here is very limited. 67689

Postal Telegraph company. Quick service to all points. 67689

Get one of those \$15 suits of Joe Hansen, the tailor, he guarantees them to give perfect satisfaction.

Nothing more suitable for a Christmas gift than an attractive picture. Call and see Judson E. Rice's, 154 Pipestone street.

THE WEATHER.

Fair tonight and Friday except snow flurries near the lakes. Colder eastern portion, continued cold Friday. Brisk wind.

HIS IDEA OF PRAYER.

Prof. Rodger Treated the Subject
from a Scientific Standpoint
Last Night.

LAST LECTURE THIS EVENING.

New Street Car Line Will Run After
the Lecture to Accommodate
the Public.

Prof. Rodger will deliver his last lecture on scientific religion at the Presbyterian church this evening. The new street car line will run after the lecture to accommodate the public. In his lecture on "Prayer" last evening the professor said:

We come tonight to ask with you the question which the ancient sage, in his suffering, perplexity and discouragement propounded. "What shall it profit if we pray unto God?"

Job was not the first to ask this question. Adam asked it. Abel asked it. Every rational intelligence since who has become conscious of his own limitations and yet filled with a burning desire to accomplish some great work having tried and tried again, he too, has asked, "What shall it profit?"

Were you to go out on the street and ask the first man you meet, "What do you think of prayer?" he would perhaps answer something like this. "I never think of praying. You might just as well blow at the sun with your mouth on a hot day to cool it off and thus lower the temperature as to pray. You might just as well ask this earth to let go her gravitation grip on the moon as to pray. You might just as well ask the inflowing tide to recede as to offer petitions. I do not believe at all in prayer. I never pray. You might just as well save your breath. In the first place there is no rational omnipotent power over all to hear. And if there were do you suppose he would listen to such blind worms of the dust as you and all of us?"

Suppose you stopped the second man you met and propounded the same question to him. He perhaps would answer, "I believe there is what might be termed a power working in the universe, I would not deny the assertion that it is semi-conscious, but it is certainly not omnipotent and does not fondle human babes and pet them when cross, it does not pay any attention to man's crying and kicking against the fatalities. No there is not any efficacy in prayer. You might better save your strength for work. If I desire anything I tattle it myself. If I know I am not able to accomplish it myself I ask my neighbor to help me. If together we cannot do it then I give it up. There is no profit in asking God, our Father to take a hand in our baby tricks."

The third person you met might perhaps answer your inquiry thus. "I believe there is an intelligent omnipotent supreme, but he has so well planned causes and arranged effects that you and I cannot improve on his plans. Yet I hold that prayer is efficacious. It does not, however, change his arrangement. It simply helps to bring us into harmony with his plan instead of influencing him to change it and accept ours. Yes, prayer has its effects and they are good, but they are only reflex on the person who prays, not objective, causing God to do anything for the petitioner which he would not have done if the prayer had not been offered. Yes, I believe in prayer, it helps me to come into more perfect harmony with God. This is the highest relation I can sustain and brings with it the richest blessings I can expect in this life."

Perhaps the fourth person you met would answer your inquiry. "Yes, I believe prayer is efficacious in bringing either the very thing for which we ask or something better."

Perhaps these four imaginary cases will include the various ideas regarding prayer. Let us ask then before going further "what are the essentials of prayer?" Can you or I go to his closet and offer petitions to an invisible being and yet not pray? Verily I can and so can you. Can the minister stand behind the sacred desk and offer petitions to an invisible being for things he and his people think they need? Those petitions never get above the ceiling of the church. Even this may happen and on Sunday. Petition is not one of the essentials of prayer.

The poet has stated one of the essentials, when he says "Prayer is the soul's sincere desire." You may petition or not, "Uttered or unexpressed." There can be no prayer without desire, whole hearted sincere. Professor Rodger went on to say, the second essential of the prayer we propose to consider is the recognition of a supreme being who hears and can answer. The third is for the petitioner to exercise all the ability God has given in accomplishing the everything for which he asks.

He then considered the scientific data of coincidences at length.

The quiz following then was very lively.

Tonight Professor Rodger gives the most important lecture of the course.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. The genuine has L. E. Q. on each tablet.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS...

What would make your little boy happier on Christmas than a gift of a pair of Rubber Boots. We have them, large and small, and offer sizes 6 to 10 1-2 at \$1.00, 11 to 2 at \$1.25, 2 to 6 at \$1.50.

We also have some men's fine Dongola Christmas Slippers, in black or tan, worth \$1.75, which we offer at \$1.25.

JOSEPH FRICK
113 TERRITORIAL ST.

SHOE REPAIRING
DONE NEATLY AND PROMPTLY.

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...ALL NEXT WEEK

The finest assortment of Banquet, Hanging and Hand Lamps in the city. Will be sold at cost.

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Our assortment is new and complete and our prices will enable you to buy two presents with the money you expected to spend for one.

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Thursday and Friday

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Watches, Diamonds,
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W. E. Kennedy..
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124 Pipestone Street.

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Will Give You a Few Cash Prices

Rock Candy drip syrup, per gal.....	20c	1 can Tomatoes.....	07
19 lbs G Sugar.....	81.00	1 large bottle catsup.....	10
1 lb package corn starch.....	05	1 lb of cocoanut.....	15
Large bottle blueing.....	03	One half pound cocoanut.....	10
1 pkg white chip soap.....	05	1 pound Bakers chocolate.....	17
1 sack salt.....	03	1 package sweet chocolate.....	07
12 bars soap.....	25	Oat meal per package.....	08
Salt pork per pound.....	05	8 pounds of best oat meal.....	25
6 bars Ivory soap.....	25	1 gal oil can with wood jacket.....	10
1-lb crackers.....	05	1 lb Sal Soda.....	02
1 lb good coffee.....	10	1 lb Rice.....	05
1 1/2 lb of 50c tea for.....	33	1 pkg Arm & Hammer Saleratus.....	05
1 lb can Salmon.....	10	All kinds of pure spices, Cinnamon,	
1 lb Raisins.....	06	Allspice, Cloves, Pepper, Mustard in	
1 lb of 60c tea for.....	45	pound lots.....	25
1 can of corn.....	07		

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Watch this ad.

C. H. SOULE..

HER INVITATION.

WERE I the wind, my darling,
And you a blushing flower,
I'd sigh with love forever
And play around your bower.
And I would come and kiss you
And bring the fragrant shower,
And I would talk in whispers
That you could understand.
And the perfume of your petals
I'd spread all o'er the land—
Were I the wind, my darling,
And you a blushing flower.

SHE.
WERE you the wind, so wanton,
And I a blushing flower,
You say you'd sigh forever
And play around my bower,
And that you'd come and kiss me,
And bring the fragrant shower,
And that you'd talk in whispers
That I could understand.
And the perfumes of my petals
You'd spread o'er all the land—
Let's play that you're the wind, and
That I'm the blushing flower!
—Cleveland Leader.

A HOT FIGHT.

BY CHARLES B. LEWIS.

From the year 1858 to that of 1867 there were no less than seven British, French, German and American cruisers constantly cruising in the waters of the China and Java seas after pirates. During this time over 100 piratical craft were captured, a dozen or 15 strongholds broken up and at least 2,000 "black flags" were killed offhand or sent ashore to be hung. The cruisers thought they had finished their work, but in 1869 several traders which had been fitted out at Bantam, Batavia and Singapore were overhauled by pirates and their crews butchered. When we arrived at Singapore in 1870 in the British gun brig Vixen, a nest of pirates had been located on one of the islands off the west coast of Java, and we had orders to proceed to the spot and clean them out. We overhauled our armament, took in a lot of ammunition and strengthened our crew by 14 men before sailing. These men were drafted out of a crew belonging to a man-of-war which had been wrecked on the Malay coast, and all were old hands. The captain got his bearings from some source unknown to us, and when we left Singapore the brig was headed to the east. We jogged along down the coast of Sumatra for a week without any unusual incident, and though we spoke a score of craft none of them had any information about the pirate. The crew had begun to ridicule the idea when something occurred to open our eyes very wide.

One morning, about an hour after daylight, we came up with a Dutch trader, which was taking care of herself. All her sails had been cut away, ropes were flying in every direction, and she was so low in the water that we wondered why she didn't go down. When a boat pulled off to her, it was to find the captain mortally wounded and his wife and two sailors, stiff and dead and horribly mutilated, on the deck beside him. We got him off, but had no time to give the bodies burial before the little craft went down. The captain was a man about 40 years of age, and, though hardly alive when we found him, he rallied enough to tell his story.

The trader had been trafficking along the Java coast and had finally completed his cargo and headed for Singapore. Just at sunset on the previous evening he had been overhauled by a native craft, carrying about 40 men. He was then about ten miles off the coast and about five miles south of an island known as Queen's Bower. He had no suspicion whatever of the natives, and the first thing he knew they boarded his craft and began to cut and slash. When they had finished the crew, they began to plunder and strip the vessel and were with her until midnight. Before leaving they bored her full of holes, and we had reached her just in time to rescue the captain. The first craft was joined by two others later on, and the three carried at least 100 desperate fellows. The captain heard and understood enough to satisfy him that they were an organized gang of pirates and that they were also well equipped for their bloody business.

The island mentioned was not over 20 miles away, and as the Java sea was and is a great highway it did not seem possible that men would take such a risk as those pirates had. The trader said that no less than three friendly sails were in sight when he was attacked, but all too far away to signal, even if he had been warned in time to do something. Owing to the shoals surrounding the island our craft could not approach near enough to use her guns and shell the fellows out, and we were not strong enough to land from our boats and deal with them. The sight of an armed vessel nosing around would put the pirates on their guard, and so it was resolved to play them a Yankee trick. We ran into a bay on the coast and set to work.

You are probably aware of the fact that an English man-of-war, no matter how large or how small, is a pattern of neatness and regulation, and the cut of her sails will alone establish her identity while her hull is yet below the water line. We had therefore to undo and overhaul a great deal. We put everything in seeming confusion aloft, disguised her hull as much as possible, and when we left the bay the Shark had the look of a merchantman which had been through a typhoon and was too short handed to make repairs. The Dutch captain died on the day after we found him, and his last words were a prayer that we might fall in with and punish the pirates.

It was just at daylight that we appeared off the north coast of the island and anchored on a bank about three miles from the beach. Men were sent aloft as if engaged in repairs, a boat was got down as if to work on the hull, and the bulk of the crew remained in hiding below. No doubt the fellows ashore had a lookout in some trees, and provided with a good glass he could see everything going on aboard. It was hardly sunrise when a small native craft with four men in her, came out to



A Merry Christmas for Everybody

AT

The White House Store

Only 2 more days to close out our entire stock of useful HOLIDAY GOODS. We carry a tremendous stock this year and the goods must go at some price this week, so be on hand and enjoy the fun. We are bound not to carry over any Holiday Goods this year, if prices will do it. A few of the many things we carry: Silk Mufflers, Handkerchiefs, Hoods, Fascinators, Shawls, Silk Skirts, Albums, Gloves, Mittens, Muffs and Boas, Curtains, Table and Stand Covers, Underwear, Sweaters, Cloaks, Jackets and Capes, Fur Collarets, Wrappers, Wool Shirt Waists, Night Gowns, Mackintoshes, Suits, Overcoats, Ulsters, Neckwear, Caps, Umbrellas, Rugs, Mats, Dress Goods, Silks, etc. Everyone who attends this sale will go away happy with an arm-full of goods.

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HIGH GRADE

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We are closing out at half price.

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CORRECT WEIGHT,
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PRIME QUALITY
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FAIR PRICES

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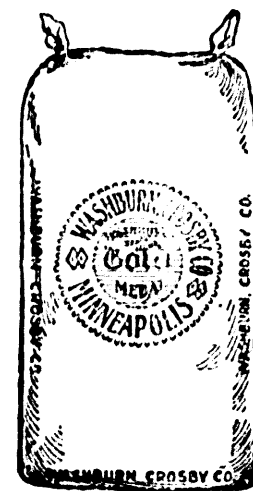
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Leads the Markers of
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The following is one of the many kindly communications we are receiving:
The other day I went down town
And bought a cord of wood
And it gives us satisfaction
Because it splits so good.
It was the easiest splitting lot
I have purchased in my life,
And to get a chance to split a stick
Must draw cuts with my wife.
My boy as soon as school is out
Comes hurrying on the run
Saying, "Papa may I split some wood?
Please, papa, it's such fun."
If you wish your boys to do the same,
You will only have to go
To get such beech and maple wood,
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FOR RENT—10-ROOM HOUSE, HIGHLAND avenue, hot and cold water, bath, and barn. One block from new car line. Rent \$10. C. K. Farmer. 69485

FOR SALE—STORY & CLARK ORGAN IN upright piano case. In good condition. Call at 214 Brunswick avenue. 69446

IN OPERATION.

THE NEW EASTMAN SPRINGS STREET RAILROAD.

Notwithstanding the Snow Storm the First Trip Was Made on Schedule Time This Morning.

The new Eastman Springs street railway is in operation, and Manager Beckley is receiving congratulations because the car started on schedule time this morning notwithstanding the snow storm.

The first car brought down 5 passengers, the second trip 2 passengers and the third 4 passengers. Charles K. Farmer has the distinction of buying the first coupon tickets, investing at one dollar \$1 in 30 school tickets for his daughter and a quarter's worth for himself.

The car is drawn by a span of sleek mules and good time is made. It required considerable work last night to keep the track open for traffic this morning.

The people of Morton Hill are rejoiced. They not only consider the car line a convenience but believe that it will also increase real estate values in that part of the city.

Previous to the building of the present line the city had granted franchises to four other companies to construct a similar car line, but it remained for Messrs. McCord and Westcott not only to secure a franchise but also to build the road.

GAGE AND M'KINLEY.

No Conflict Between the President and His Secretary.

The Washington correspondent of the Chicago Record writes: There appears to be an impression among some senator and representatives—and what is even more strange, among certain newspaper men—that President McKinley was elected upon a silver ticket, and that he is violating the pledges of his platform and betraying the voters who supported him at the polls by allowing Secretary Gage to go before a committee of congress and confess his belief in a single gold standard. Any one who takes the pains to compare Mr. McKinley's speeches during the last campaign and the remarks Mr. Gage made before the committee on banking and currency last week will discover that they conform in every essential particular, and people who expect either of those gentlemen to advocate a silver standard or even a double standard of money do not understand the policy of this administration. It is true that the president and Mr. Gage are both in favor of what is known as international bimetalism—that is an international agreement between the great commercial nations of the earth that silver shall be recognized as money to a greater extent than at present—and they would be gratified if Great Britain would join in such arrangement. They concurred in the advisability of sending a commission to Europe to promote such a thing: they both hoped that the commission might succeed, although Mr. Gage, being a man of practical experience and not of such a sanguine temperament as the president, was not so hopeful as he for its success. The president, I believe, thinks an international agreement is still possible; Mr. Gage considers it out of the question. But neither of them is conscious of betraying or attempting to betray the republican party or violate the republican platform or do anything that is not expected of them by the men who voted the republican ticket last fall.

HELP BUSINESS.

Squier, Dingee Pickle Company Paying \$10,000 to Farmers.

Squier, Dingee Pickle company began paying off the farmers who supplied them with pickles the past season, drawing checks on the Farmers & Merchants bank.

W. D. Freeston, the manager, says the amount to be paid the farmers in the next few days will amount to \$10,000.

\$2.00 DINNER.

One Prepared by One of The Evening News Contestants.

Following is one of the bills of fare entered in THE EVENING NEWS prize Christmas Dinner contest, and designated by the judges as No. 19:

MENU	
"Conversation is but carving. Give no more to every guest Than he is able to digest. Give to all but just enough Let them neither starve nor stuff."—Walter Scott.	
Bouillon	Celery
Wafers	Roast Turkey, Cranberry Sauce
Pickles	Turnips
Pumpkin Pie	Creamed Potatoes
Suet Pudding, Hard Sauce	Bread
Material for the Dinner.	
Meat for bouillon	5
Wafers	34
Celery	5
One pt. cranberries	5
2 lbs. sugar	10
3 lbs. potatoes	3
1 qt. onions	24
Turnips	1
Salt, i. e., pepper, i. e., sage, i. e., Cinnamon, i. e., nutmeg, i. e., cloves i. e., allspice, i. e., soda, i. e.,	1
Bread	1
1 lb. butter	10
4 eggs (18c. per doz.)	5
Cabbage	2
Mustard and vinegar	2
Stale bread for dressing turkey and pudding	3
Pumpkin	1
Lard	1
Pickles	1
Suet	1
8 lb. turkey (hen turkey)	1 00
Coffee	8
Flour	4
Milk	5
Cream	3
\$2 00	

Recipes.
Cabbage salad dressing—1 cup vinegar, 2 tablespoons of water, 2 tablespoons sugar, butter size of an egg, 1 teaspoon of mustard, 1 teaspoon salt. Let come to a boil and boil five or six minutes, stirring all the time. When taken from the stove add the yolks of two eggs and the white of one, (well beaten.) When this is done pour over one small cabbage (chopped fine.)
Suet pudding—1 cup molasses, 1 cup milk, 1 cup suet, 1 lb. raisins, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 teaspoon allspice, 1 teaspoon cloves, 2 cups of fine bread crumbs, 1 cup of flour, salt to taste. Steam 3 hours.
Hard sauce—1 cup granulated sugar, 1 cup butter. When well creamed add the whites of one well beaten egg and a little nutmeg.
—Miss Angie R. Brooks, Benton Harbor.
Have glasses fitted by Dr. Antisdale.

CAN COME BACK.

THE PEDDLERS DRIVEN FROM THE CITY.

Recent Supreme Court Decision Knocks the Township Peddler License Law Sky High.

Last spring it was asserted that 300 Hebrews engaged in peddling, who lived in Benton Harbor, would be driven out of business in Michigan by the law passed by the legislature requiring all peddlers in the rural districts to buy township licenses, which cost from \$5 to \$30 according to the population of the township.

The state grange in session at Lansing last week denounced this law as an injury to the farmers and passed for the purpose of making the agriculturist leave his work in the busy season to go to the villages or cities instead of having what they wanted brought to their doors by peddlers.

The supreme court has just knocked the law completely out on the ground that it discriminates against non-residents.

LIQUOR TO A MINOR.

Lake Township Farmer Arrested on That Charge.

Some time ago a farmer of Lake township by the name of Stahlein was arrested on the charge of selling liquor to a minor, Elmer Mead, aged 19. The liquor consisted of hard cider and the quantity was two jugs full. The case came up in Justice Graves' court yesterday and the examination postponed until the last day of the year.

A NEW DEPARTURE.

Presbyterian Sunday School To Give a Novel Entertainment.

A new departure marks the era of Christmas tide for this year, on the part of the Sunday school of the Presbyterian church. The scholars will each bring an offering as a Christmas gift to Jesus, and place the offering in a manger prepared and decorated for the occasion. The program for Friday evening, commencing at 7:30 is as follows:

Voluntary.
Anthem—"There were Shepherds," choir.
Song—"Tis the Merry Christmas," school.
Prayer.
Song—"Mrs. S. A. Bailey's class."
A reading from the Scriptures.
Song—"Shine out for Jesus," infant class.
Class exercise—Mrs. J. H. Lee's class.
Solo—"Luther's Cradle Hymn," Miss Helen Webb.
Recitation.
Solo—"Hark, Hark my Soul!" Miss Zoe McClure.
"Four Little Sunflowers,"—Mrs. Frankie Webb's class.
Song—"Snow Prayer," infant class.
Solo—"O Holy Night!" Mrs. Frankie Webb.
"What is that Star?"—Miss Cora James' class.
Song—"Male quartet."
Recitations.
Song—"Come Worship the Stranger," school.
Offerings.
Gifts.
Anthem—"Glory to God in the Highest," choir.
Benediction.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. H. B. on each tablet.

"EVER-AT-THE-FRONT."

Dowagiac Paper Compliments The Evening News.

Dowagiac News: Dowagiac parties are now enabled to communicate with Benton Harbor and St. Joseph by the Postal telegraph lines, as their line from Buchanan to the twin cities was completed Tuesday at noon. The ever-at-the-front and enterprising Benton Harbor EVENING NEWS bears the distinction of sending the first message over the new line.

Salt Rheum, Tetter, Eczema.—These distressing skin diseases relieved by one application. Dr. Agnew's Ointment is a potent cure for all eruptions of the skin. Jas. Gaston, Whitesboro, says: "For nine years I was afflicted with Tetter on my hands. Dr. Agnew's Ointment cured it. 35 cents. Sold by Geo. M. Bell & Co.—5.

Holiday Excursion Rates, One and One-third Fare.

The M., B. H. & C. Ry. offer these rates to local points. Also to all points on Michigan Central. Passengers can secure round trip tickets and avoid the unpleasant bus transfers via other routes. Call up or see Schaefer for rates and time. Baggage checked through. Phone No. 192.

Tectzel & Haydon, the jewelers, offer bargains in holiday goods.

Smoke "Our Congressman," 5 cents each. 670126

The Enterprise laundry is now ready for business. Try them for fine work. 67003

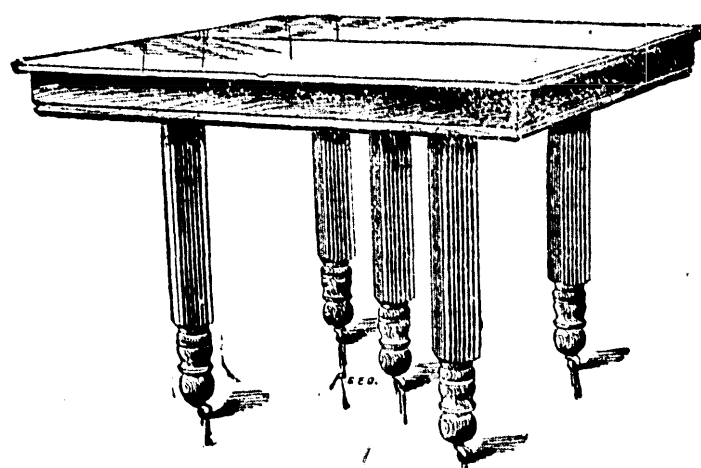
Band Concert
Wednesday
Evening, Dec. 29.

Crowds of People...

Throng Our Store Daily. And Why Not?

Not being able to visit "King Solomon's Temple," it's the next best thing to do.

"It's not in mortals to COMMAND success, but we'll do more, sempronius, we'll deserve it."—ADDISON.



..Our Magnificent and Unparalleled Array of..

Rockers, Chairs, Tables, Couches, Book Cases, Escritories, Lamps, Toilet Sets, Rugs, etc..

Combined with the lowest prices on record, speak volumes of eloquence, more beseeching to the economist, more bewitching to the undecided than anything that could be said by all the silver tongued salesmen in Christendom.

Our Line of Christmas Goods..

this year is most complete, complimented, sought after, talked about and purchased by all who visit our elegant display.

Please do not leave our store without being waited on.

107 E. Main St. **C. J. PECK** Benton Harbor.

Satisfy your wants

AT.....

BRADFORD'S ..BAZAAR

Headquarters for..... **Christmas Presents**

From the oldest to the youngest

Come and see the pretty things.

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Next to Evening News office

The New Grocery

IN THE NEW YORK BLOCK.
HAS SECURED THE AGENCY FOR

WAXENE

Dust-Holding Floor Oil for Stores, Factories, Schools, Halls, etc. Floors oiled with Waxene can be swept without sprinkling and no dust will arise to settle on the goods.

Also Agents for Columbus Coach Oil, the Best Made.

R. W. RILEY

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CALL ON THE

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For your winter's supply of **COAL** Lehigh Valley, Anthracite and all kinds of Soft Coal

Hard and Soft Wood Always on Hand.

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Telephone 175

THE EVENING NEWS
25 CENTS A MONTH



"I prefer Cleveland's Baking Powder," said the lecturer, "because it is pure and wholesome, it takes less for the same baking, it never fails, and bread and cake keep their freshness and flavor."

Move we Must...

Before we move it is our aim to sell as many goods as we possibly can—

On or about March 1, we must seek another location

We are
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That can not be duplicated, we don't care where you go

TEETZEL & HAYDON

RELIABLE JEWELERS.

Jones & Sonner blk.

BENTON HARBOR, MICH

We Carry a Stock of

Diamonds
Watches
Novelties
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It is complete and we can suit you at a reasonable price. \$ for yourself—

THE EVENING NEWS.

Daily Except Sunday.

Office: 142 Pipestone Street.

Entered at the postoffice at Benton Harbor as second class matter.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES:

Delivered in Benton Harbor or St. Joseph.
One year, \$3.00
One month, .25
By Mail—One year, \$2.50 in advance; one month, .25 cents.
The Weekly News, \$1.00 a year

TWIN CITY TELEPHONE 172.

THURSDAY, DEC. 23, 1897.

MANY people wonder who is furnishing the cash to operate the O'Donnell boom for governor.

COLONEL Bean hopes the members of the council won't overlook the stocking that nothing but a three years' electric light contract will fit.

CITY Treasurer Brown never whimpered when the council delivered the railroad bonds without passing them through his hands. In fact he appeared to like the way he was slighted.

DETROIT too had the armor plant fever a short time ago and the Evening News of that city cartoons the situation quite aptly. Vanishing in the rear of a well designed picture is a phantom labeled "Armor Plant" and this ghost is being chased by an army of women representing Detroit who are carrying banners on which are inscribed "Free sites and other inducements."

ATTORNEY C. J. O'Flynn, of Detroit, has a long article in the Detroit Legal News calling attention to the abuses that continually are suffered from the rulings of the supreme court. Mr. O'Flynn, while censuring the court, does not lay blame upon the members. In deciding 800 cases a year, about three cases every working day, it is impossible for the judges to deal with all the law and the evidence in the case. Many cases sent to the supreme court are so complicated as to take a week's study to thoroughly comprehend. When such cases are decided "at sight" it stands to reason that the most vital points are overlooked. Mr. O'Flynn advocates some kind of a change in the supreme court system.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the disease portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Master Willie Ludlow in his solo, "The Choir Boy's Song," with the Newsboys' band concert, December 29.

Ladies' gold filled and plated guard chains, prices from \$1 up. 68516 C. R. HOLLIS & SON.

One Way Settlers' Fares.

On the first and third Tuesday of each month the Vandalla line will sell one way tickets to points in the south and southeast at very low rates. For rates and full information call or address FRANK R. HALE, agent, St. Joseph, Mich.

We are going to move and want money not goods. Now is the time to buy. TEETZEL & HAYDON.

Leave orders for one of those extra fine five pound boxes of mixed bon bon and chocolate. Christmas prices, \$1.25 EDGAR NICHOLS.

Holiday Excursion Rates.
For Christmas and New Year holidays, C. & W. M. & D. G. R. & W. Ry. agents will sell tickets at one and one-third fare to stations in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. Selling dates December 24, 25, 31, and January 1. Return limit January 4.
GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

If you want a fine finish on your goods and a perfect fitting neck band no to the Enterprise laundry. t603

Have you seen Wallace Bros.' fine line of candy, 110 Pipestone street?

Everybody Says So.
Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

Tri-Weekly to Chicago.
The steamer City of Duluth will leave Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings for Chicago. Fare each way, including berth, \$1.
GRAHAM & MORTON TRANS. CO.

Holiday Rates.
On December 24, 25, 31 and January 1 the Big Four will sell tickets at one and one-third fare good to return January 4. Tickets sold to all local points and to all points on connecting lines.
L. J. SMITH, Agent.

Cabinet photos \$1.50 at A. D. Lacy's.

W. C. HOVEY

HAS MOVED TO

111 East Main Street

OPP. POSTOFFICE

His line of Buggies, Wagons, Farm Implements, Horse Blankets Fur Robes, etc., is complete and the best of goods at the lowest prices are kept in stock.

You should call, see his line and learn prices before purchasing elsewhere.

A GREAT COMBINATION

... FORMED AT THE ...

CITY STEAM LAUNDRY

BEST OUTFIT BEST WORK
and BEST PRICES

See Our New Price List Which Goes Into Effect Monday, Nov. 15

Our work is the best and we guarantee to make your goods wear one-fourth longer than any other laundry in this section, especially the so-called hand laundries, for they cannot avoid the use of chemicals which we have done away with by the use of our new WATER PURIFIER, which gives us an abundant supply of practically soft water. Do not be deceived by parties claiming to do the work all by hand, for their methods are very much more destructive to the linen than ours with our late improvements. We have had years of experience in both ways and know whereof we speak. If you will visit our laundry you will at once be convinced that our way of washing is the easiest possible on the goods. Flannels washed with distilled water and Olive Oil soap, leaving them soft and full size.

Again we say See Our New Price List...

City Steam Laundry

135 East Main Street.

The Globe Store

...113 W. Main St.



ENDERS & YOUNG

Minute by minute, hour by hour, day by day and week by week, the time is drawing near when the doors of the Globe Clothing and Shoe Store will forever close. In the meantime we are making an immense sacrifice in

Clothing, Boots, Rubbers, Trunks and Traveling Bags

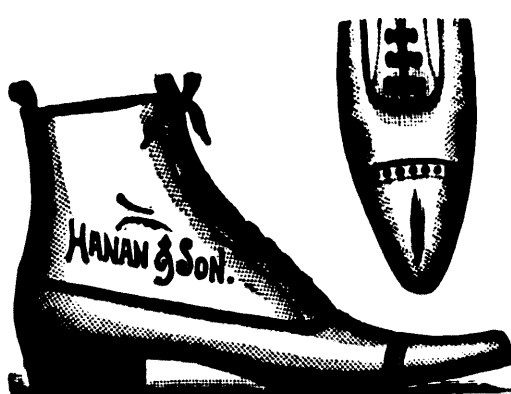
- 20 Men's black wool ulsters, all sizes, wool lined, extra heavy weight, were \$8.00 \$4 50
marked down to \$6.50, now going at
- 30 Men's black and blue wool beaver overcoats, all sizes, this year's production, velvet collars, were \$8.50 each, now going at \$4 50
- 30 Men's all wool suits, small sizes only, both frocks and sacks, mostly dark colors, unparalleled values, were \$12.50 to \$18 each, now going at \$3 00
- 75 Boys' knee pant suits, sizes 4 to 10, heavy weight, dark colors, assorted patterns, were \$3.00 to \$7.50, now \$1 75
- 20 pairs Men's patent and enamel leather shoes, good shapes and sizes, were \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.00, now \$3 00
- 25 pairs Men's Vici kid Balmorals and Congress, with patent tip, new toe, worth \$2.50 to \$3.50, now \$2 39
- 72 pairs Ladies' velvet slippers, worth 69c | 24 pairs Ladies' Dongola kid button shoes, all sizes, were \$2.00, now \$1 49

For the Holidays--Christmas Presents, etc., we are prepared to serve you in a substantial way with necessities as well as luxuries that are always preferred.

The Globe Store

113 West Main Street,

Benton Harbor, Mich.



SHOT FIGHT.

(Continued from page 2.)

They did not always kill all the
Soon after the boy was captured
brought in an American sailor off
ice trader. The lad knew him only
name of William, but remem-
bered that his home was in Boston. It
turned out that they had spared his life
make use of him as a blacksmith, but
then they found he had no knowledge
that work he was put to death with
cruelty. By order of the chief he
hung in chains on a tree about a
quarter of a mile from the village and
a five or six days in dying. The boy
sat with us and showed us his bones,
all hanging.

The one armed man and the old wo-
man, assisted by the boy, were the cooks
of the gang. They at first seemed very
much alarmed and protested their inno-
cence of any complicity in the crimes of
pirates, but when they came to un-
derstand that all the villains had met
their fate and that we had come ashore
to clear the island of its last bale of
evil, they suddenly ran into a rude
house, blocked up the doorway with
boxes and opened fire on us with
blows. We had two men wounded be-
fore we could dislodge them, and they
were then hanged to the same limb and
their bodies left to the birds. What
under we could not bring off we
burned on the island, and before leaving
set the forest on fire in a dozen
places, and the flames did not die out
till the whole length and breadth had
been swept clean of vegetation.

HGUSE GOWNS.

Late Creations of Paris Modistes.
Popular Colors.

Frank colors are now universally worn
on all occasions, but in the matter of
house gowns there is no limit to the au-
thority of coloring, middle aged and elder-
women as well as young ones clothing
themselves in light or brilliant tints.
The white is particularly favored for indoor
dresses and composes some very charming
tunes.

Plain and broche silks, velvet, mous-
seline de soie, embroidered woolen fabrics
and crepe de chine are all used for house
gowns, but in bright or pale tones.
Lavender, rose, pale green and mauve are
favorite colors, as are also bright reds and
blues.

Sky blue and moss green form a fash-
ionable combination much more pleasing
to the eye than the partnership of blue
and mauve which is occasionally seen.

A white velvet gown, trimmed with
gold passementerie and white ostrich
feathers, is one of the latest creations of a



GIRL'S COSTUME.

an modiste, and few more perishable
articles of attire could be devised. White
is exceedingly fashionable, and white as
a background for plush composes blouse models
for the house, the trimming being white
and the belt for such a blouse is of white
brocade with metal or jewel ef-
fects and the accompanying skirt may
well be of some color.

Others are now made very elaborate
and are, of course, loose in form, and
the favored fabrics are soft wools and
silk. If the material is thin, it may be
lined with wadded silk. Ribbon and lace
are used as trimming.

The picture shows a costume for a little
girl of 10 years. It is of two toned green
of good quality, and the skirt opens in front
to a full tablier of emerald green velvet,
lined in narrow platings of pale green
silk. The wool bodice has a plastron of
gold velvet, and is trimmed with silk
fringe also. The sleeves are of green
velvet, the belt of pale green satin.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

Mrs. F. B. Christopher, the accom-
panied pianist, has consented to play a
solo and the accompaniment for
Clara Barton, the child violinist, at
the Evening Newsboys' band
concert at the Methodist church De-
cember 29.

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Lots Going ..Every Day

Buy Now Before it is - Too Late -

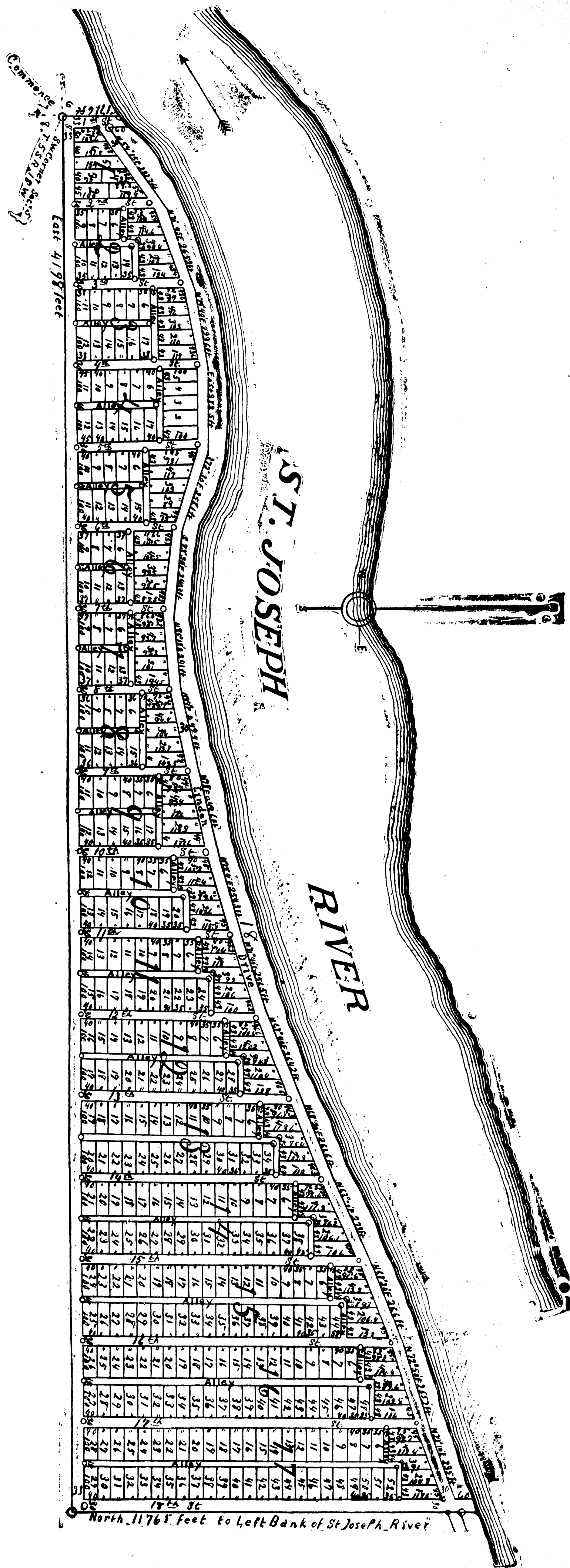
Will be worth double what you
pay for them in less than one
year...

Buy a lot and erect a cot-
tage for the summer. You
can live at Somerleyton
cheaper than you can in
the city, or buy lots and
erect cottages as an in-
vestment. Will pay 33 1/3
per cent on the amount
invested...

COME IN AND GET A PLAT . . .

Rounds, Warner & Co.,

114-WATER STREET-114



LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

What Benton Harbor's People and Societies Are Doing.

Ova Nutting, who has held a position as collector with the Excelsior Gas company, since it started, will hold the same position with the new company.

The Christmas exercises of the First Baptist Sunday school will occur Friday evening at 7 o'clock. The decorating committee are at work under the direction of Cory McClave and Miss May Bisbee has the children in training for a delightful program.

Miss Sadie Edwards left yesterday for Lowell, Mass.

Miss Carrie Weldon, of Indianapolis, is the guest of relatives here.

Henry C. Rowe Circle, ladies of the G. A. R., yesterday afternoon elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Nellie Ward; senior vice, Mrs. Will Smith; junior vice, Mrs. C. H. Godfrey; chaplain, Mrs. M. W. Jennings; treasurer, Mrs. Dolph Miles; conductor, Mrs. Fletcher Lewis; guard, Mrs. Al Conkey; delegate to state convention, Mrs. Ellen D. Plummer; alternate, Mrs. Mary P. Curtis; installing officer, Col. Ward.

D. B. Kramer returned from Washington, D. C. last night and will spend the holidays with his family.

City Attorney Ellsworth returned from Chicago last evening.

Mrs. J. G. Annesley, of Saugatuck, was in the city today and received a draft of \$1,500, the amount of her husband's policy in the Tribe of Ben Hur.

Will R. Shankland left this morning for Sand Lake to visit his parents.

Mrs. Ida Parks left today for Dowagiac to spend Christmas.

H. A. Knott, of Grand Rapids, was in the city on business today.

Clarence Heath, who has been taking a medical course in the University of Illinois arrived home this morning to spend the holidays.

John Robinson returned from a business trip to Chicago this morning.

Johnnie Chaddock gave a birthday party yesterday to a score of his friends, the occasion being his eleventh anniversary. Refreshments were served and several presents were given to the youthful host.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bullard left today for Wabash to visit relatives.

Mrs. Charles N. Sowers returned today from Pentwater where she has been visiting her mother.

Bird Wheaton is confined to his home today by illness.

William Price of Hartman was in town yesterday.

Charles W. Sariver was in Niles yesterday.

Capt. Charles Plummer, who has sailed the steamer Frank Woods for the past season, returned to his home in Fenwick yesterday, his boat having been laid up.

J. D. Paterbaugh, of this city, who has been visiting a few days with his family at Coloma, was in the city yesterday and returned to Coloma in the afternoon.

Clayton Dalrymple, who ran the news stand at the Hotel Benton and went west three years ago, where he has been engaged as clerk in a general store at Langford, South Dakota, arrived here last night and says Michigan is good enough for him. He used to have the reputation of being the hustling newsboy of this city.

ST. JOSEPH.

George Crandall left this morning for Battle Creek where he will spend the holidays.

Arthur B. Heman, a student of the Kalamazoo college, arrived home last night to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Heman.

H. M. Stevens, the grocer, is doing an extensive business through agents which he has in the various small towns of the county.

Eight members of the Maccabees lodge took the oriental degree at the meeting held last evening. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected next Wednesday night.

The public schools will close today for the holiday vacation.

The river is frozen over and the prospects are bright for an old-fashioned Christmas.

Dowagiac News: Harry Hartsell, formerly of this city, but more recently residing in St. Joseph, arrived in Dowagiac this afternoon and will reside here during the winter. Mr. Hartsell will take charge of Mrs. Florence Townsend's property interests in this city and vicinity.

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THE WHEAT MARKET.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23—Comparative closing prices on wheat for two days.

	Dec. 22	Dec. 21
Wheat—December.....	\$.98 1/2	\$1.00
January.....	.93 1/2	.94 1/2
May.....	.93	.93 1/2
July.....	.83 1/2	.83 1/2
Corn—December.....	.26 1/2	.26 1/2
January.....	.26 1/2	.26 1/2
May.....	.26 1/2	.26 1/2
Oats—December.....	.22	.21 1/2
May.....	.22 1/2	.22 1/2

Graff Clarke, Teacher of Violin. Specializes to beginners in classes. At Schumann Studio, Hansen building, 116 East Main. 68012

Ladies 14 karat gold cases and Elgin movement at \$22.50 at Hollis & Son's.

General Notes of the "Bummers."

General Horace Porter in his "Campaigning With Grant" in The Century tells of the meeting of Sherman and Grant at City Point, where the former gave an account of his famous march to the sea. General Porter says:

Sherman then went on to talk about his famous "bummers," saying: "They are not stragglers or mere self constituted foragers, as many have been led to suppose, but they are organized for a very useful purpose from the adventurous spirits who are always found in the ranks. They serve as 'feelers,' who keep in advance and on the flanks of the main columns, spy out the land and discover where the best supplies are to be found. They are indispensable in feeding troops when compelled, like my army, to live off the country and in destroying the enemy's communications. The bummers are in fact a regular institution. I was amused at what one of Schofield's officers told me at Goldsboro. He said Schofield's army was maintaining a telegraph line to keep up communication with the sea coast, and that one of my men, who was a little more 'previous' than the rest and was far in advance of my army, was seen up a telegraph pole hacking away at the wire with a hatchet. The officer yelled out to him: 'What are you doing there? You're destroying one of our own telegraph lines.' The man cast an indignant look at his questioner and said as he continued his work of destruction, 'I'm one o' Billy Sherman's bummers, and the last thing he said to us when we started out on this hunt was, 'Be sure and cut all the telegraph wires you come across and don't go to foolin away time askin who they belong to.'"

The Trade In Jew's Harps.

The cheapest jew's harps come from Germany and Austria, the medium and finer grades from England, and the very finest are now made in this country. Of the total production, two-thirds or more are made in England. Jew's harps are made in standard sizes, ranging in length from an inch and a quarter to four inches. They are occasionally made to order larger than that, but a four inch jew's harp is a good deal of a jew's harp, and it may have a very musical tone. There are cheap jew's harps which are sold at retail for a cent. A four inch imported jew's harp retails for a quarter of a dollar. An American jew's harp of this size sells for 50 cents. Its iron frame, or harp, is tuned, and its steel tongue is tipped with brass.

Besides being made of many sizes, jew's harps are made with the harp part of various ornamental designs. Jew's harps are not tuned to a key, but harps of a desired key may be found. Commercially jew's harps rank not as musical instruments, but as toys. Many jew's harps are, however, used as musical instruments and are played upon by men, and not infrequently in conjunction with musical instruments. Jew's harps are sold more or less throughout the country. Many are sold in mining regions of the south and west and wherever Hungarian and like labor is employed. In such places it is not unusual to find a man playing a jew's harp while others play accordions and so on.

The total sales of jew's harps in this country are not so large as they formerly were.—New York Sun.

The Basques.

The Basques, or Euskaldunak, as they call themselves, on account of the primitive character of their institutions, but more particularly because of the archaic features of their language, have long attracted the attention of ethnologists. Few writers on European travel have been able to keep their hands off this interesting people. Owing to the difficulty of obtaining information from the original Basque sources a wide range of speculation has been offered for cultivation. Interest for a long time mainly centered in the language; the physical characteristics were largely neglected. The last ten years have, however, witnessed a remarkable change in this respect. A series of brilliant investigations has been offered to science, based almost entirely upon the study of the living population. As a consequence this people has within a decade emerged from the hazy domain of romance into the clear light of scientific knowledge. Much yet remains to be accomplished, but enough is definitely known to warrant many conclusions both as to their physical origin and ethnic affinities.—"The Racial Geography of Europe" in Popular Science Monthly.

Butler's Spoon.

General Robertson tells a story of the late General Benjamin F. Butler which is new to me, and as the old hero himself told it to General Robertson it may be new to you as well. It happened one time when General Butler was in Portland. A great reception had been arranged in his honor, and the largest hall in town was engaged to hold it. The place was lavishly decorated, and one white muslin banner especially attracted the general's attention. On it was painted in large black letters:

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